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DA Seeks Attempted Murder Defendant Considered Armed and Dangerous

San Diego District Attorney Bonnie M. Dumanis announced today that investigators from her office are seeking the defendant in an attempted murder case who bailed out of jail and then failed to appear at a court hearing. Emanuel Rubio, 23, is charged with four counts of attempted murder and four counts of assault with a semi-automatic firearm. He is facing up to 76 years-to-life in prison if convicted of all the charges filed against him.

"This defendant is clearly a danger to the community. By not honoring the court order to appear for his preliminary hearing, he has also now shown his disregard for the criminal justice system," said DA Dumanis. "We are asking for the public's help in bringing him to justice."

Rubio is accused of shooting two men multiple times in National City on January 25, 2007, after one of the victims was reportedly talking to his girlfriend at a party. Prosecutors say Rubio got into a physical fight with one of the men, pulled a gun out of his waistband and shot him. After the victim fell to the ground, Rubio stood over him and fired additional shots. A second victim was injured when he began to run away and Rubio shot him twice in the back.

Rubio pleaded not guilty at his arraignment on February 5th. He posted \$400,000 bail on April 5th and then failed to appear at a preliminary hearing on April 27th. A warrant has been issued for Rubio's arrest. Anyone with information on Emanuel Rubio is asked to call their local police department, the National City Police Department at (619) 336-4474, or the U.S. Marshalls Fugitive Task Force at (619) 557-6060, extension 240.



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